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CLAIM LISTING:

A listing of the entire set of pending claims 1-20 is submitted herewith per 37 C.F.R. §1.121. This listing of claims 1-20 will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Original) A method of lexical analysis, comprising:
receiving an input stream of characters;
detecting a delimiter in the input stream, the delimiter being selected from the group consisting of a single character delimiter and a multi-character delimiter; and
returning a token upon detecting the delimiter.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
reading the input stream one character at a time.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
forming the token by appending to a string at least one of the input stream characters preceding the delimiter.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
detecting a delimiter-token;
returning the token upon detecting the delimiter token.
5. (Original) The method of claim 4, further comprising:
returning the delimiter-token.

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6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the delimiter-token is returned on a subsequent call to a lexical analyzer.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of detecting includes:
comparing at least one of the input stream characters to a single character delimiter table and a multiple character delimiter table.
8. (Original) The method of claim 1, for use in migrating pre-existing software code from a first version to a second version of a predetermined language.
9. (Previously Presented) A lexical analyzer, tangibly embodied on a computer readable medium, comprising:
an input for receiving an input stream of characters;
a detector for detecting a delimiter in the input stream, the delimiter being selected from the group consisting of a single character delimiter and a multi-character delimiter; and
an output for returning a token upon detecting the delimiter.
10. (Original) The lexical analyzer of claim 9, further comprising:
means for forming the token by appending to a string at least one of the input stream characters preceding the delimiter.
11. (Original) The lexical analyzer of claim 9, further comprising:
means for detecting a delimiter-token;
means for returning the token upon detecting the delimiter-token.
12. (Original) The lexical analyzer of claim 11, wherein the delimiter-token is returned on a subsequent call to the lexical analyzer.

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13. (Original) The lexical analyzer of claim 9, wherein the detector includes:
a comparator for comparing at least one of the input stream characters to a single-character delimiter table and a multiple-character delimiter table.
14. (Original) The lexical analyzer of claim 9, for use in migrating pre-existing software code from a first version to a second version of a predetermined language.
15. (Original) Computer program product in a computer-usable medium,
comprising:
means for receiving an input stream of characters;
means for detecting a delimiter in the input stream, the delimiter being selected from the group consisting of a single character delimiter and a multi-character delimiter; and
means for returning a token upon detecting the delimiter.
16. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 15, further
comprising:
means for forming the token by appending to a string at least one of the input stream characters preceding the delimiter.
17. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 15, further
comprising:
means for detecting a delimiter-token; and
means for returning the token upon detecting the delimiter-token.
18. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the
delimiter-token is returned on a subsequent call to the computer program product.

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19. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 15, wherein the detector includes:

means for comparing at least one of the input stream characters to a single-character delimiter table and a multiple-character delimiter table.

20. (Previously Presented) The computer program product of claim 9, further comprising means for migrating pre-existing software code from a first version to a second version of a predetermined language.